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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

[Docket Number FRA-2015-0023]

In accordance with part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated March 9, 2015,

DPS Electronics has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR 221.13 (d). FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2015-0023.

DPS Electronics is seeking a waiver of compliance from 49 CFR 221.13 (d), *Marking device display*, which requires that the centroid of the marking device be located a minimum of 48 inches above the top of the rail. DPS would like to propose a marking device that will be located 41.3 to 44.3 inches (depending on final design) above the top of the rail.

DPS is currently working on a new end-of-train device (ETD) design, the DPS 2020-He2. DPS's plan is to reduce weight to well under 15 pounds. They propose doing so by reducing the enclosure size of the ETD to about 16 inches in height. DPS states that a 15 pound or less ETD will enhance railroad safety for all North American railways

by reducing the risk of injuries to employees.

A copy of the petition, technical attachments, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a> and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., W12-140, Washington, D.C. 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- Web site: <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Fax: 202-493-2251.
- Mail: Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., W12-140, Washington, D.C. 20590.
- Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Room W12-140, Washington,
   D.C. 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and

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